

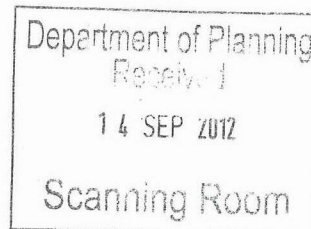


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Dear Ms Greenway

**MODIFICATION TO PEPPERTREE QUARRY PROJECT (06_0074 Mod 3)
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

I refer to your letter dated 23 August 2012 inviting the Sydney Catchment Authority (SCA) to make a written submission on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed modification of the Peppertree Project Approval.

The project is located within the Bungonia Creek sub-catchment which is part of the Sydney Drinking Water Catchment. In particular the project is located in the catchment of Lake Yarrunga – an important source of water for Sydney.

The SCA has reviewed the EA document and considers the impacts of work to be comparatively minor in the broader context of the project, and has no issues provided adequate soil and water management controls are implemented during construction and maintained as necessary for the life of the project. The SCA recommends the following condition is included in the approval:

- An updated Water Management Plan shall be prepared that incorporates all construction and other activities associated with the project modifications. The detailed Erosion and Sediment Control Plan included in the Water Management Plan shall be upgraded to encompass the project modifications, and shall be consistent with the requirements of *Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction, Volume 1*, NSW Landcom, 4th Edition, 2004 and *Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction Volume 2E Mines and Quarries*, DECC, 2008. The plan shall be prepared in consultation with the Sydney Catchment Authority and other relevant agencies.

If you wish to discuss any matter raised in this letter please do not hesitate to contact Neil Cowley on 4886 9417 or via e-mail neil.cowley@sca.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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